

Extra Notices for Sunday 11th August

This Mornings Collect:

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

This Mornings Post Communion Prayer:

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

Summer Fayre - Handy Hints for a successful stall

The fayre opens at 12:30pm on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August and a table (or space) will be provided for each stall holder and these will be marked on a Fayre plan. There is to be a seaside theme this year. Please take charge of your stall and please find these handy hints for your use. Any questions, then please contact either Vince or Lynn.

1. Please come early enough to decorate your stall according to the theme. (Tables will be available from 9:30am) and please be ready to go for the opening at 12:30pm
2. You are invited to come dressed thematically too.
3. Please arrange your own team of people (if required).
4. Please bring something to sit on (fold up chairs).
5. Please source your own items for the stall (if you are supervising a game, then these will be made available on the day) and decide on your own pricing. (announcements will be made for Bric a Brac, books, plants, cakes, bottles in the coming weeks, but you are invited to champion these yourself for your stall.
6. Please organise yourself a float of change and note how much you start with.
7. If you have plastic sheeting, please bring this too in case of rain.

Summer Fayre - Donations needed

Dear friends, in order to make our 2019 fayre a success, we shall need the usual donations of bottles for bottle tombola, jam jars, cakes, books, plants, toys (clean and good condition), Bric a Brac, items for the general tombola, items for the luxury hamper and we need to start collecting them now. Can I ask if you would give some consideration to these types of items and bring them to church. Thanks. *Vince*

Prayer Chain

If you have an urgent prayer request for yourself or for someone you know, please contact Doreen Wilson on 2674680 or Gill Pope on 2675086. This will be passed round the prayer chain as quickly as possible in strictest confidence.

Fete – Craft Stall.

I have agreed to host the craft stall at this years fete. Please would everyone consider if they could and would be willing to donate one or even two items of their particular handicraft. The bigger the variety and diversity of our crafts, the more attractive and successful the stall will be. Please do consider this – I would be very grateful. *Sarah Borrajo*

Fundraising

We need to do some fundraising this year in order to sustain our Mission and Ministry. On the notice boards you will see a list of fundraising ideas. Have a look. If something captures your attention and you think you can just get on with organising and running something then please do. Let me or Nicki Wills know what you are planning and thank you for your help. Have fun with it. *Vince*

Shaped magazine

The summer edition of the Diocese of Leicester's Shaped magazine is available at the back of Church. Please help yourself to a copy to find out the latest news from around the Diocese.

Shoobox Appeal 2019

There are changes to the format this year – please see leaflets at back of church for details. After 19 years the donation on the box has increased to £3. One reason is the increased cost of running the appeal and the second is it enables project managers to meet emergency needs on the ground as the shoeboxes being given out. There were many instances last Christmas of shoeboxes being given into freezing houses where there was no wood, no fire or food. Link to Hope feel they have a duty to go a step further in certain cases and try to help with peoples basic needs. Please start saving items – there are links at the back of the church and leaflets will be available later. Pound shops are a very good source! We also need empty shoe boxes and we are very grateful for items if you are unable to do a whole box. *Sylvia Simes & Doreen Wilson*

Flowers for special occasions

We are fortunate to have two hugely experienced and professional flower arranging teams at Birstall & Wanlip who are willing to receive requests for flower arrangements to be placed in Church to mark your special occasion. Donations for the cost of the flowers are always welcome, but not always necessary. If you would like the teams to arrange a flower display with your special occasion in mind, please contact Sylvia Simes on 2674206 or email: sylviasimes@talktalk.net (Birstall) and Marjorie Bonshor on 2207964 (Wanlip)

Items for Information Sheet

To ensure all events, meetings etc. are advertised in the Information Sheet, please send details to either the church office at stjames.birstall@btconnect.com, or telephone 2671797 (please leave a message if no one is there), or email it direct to me at sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk, or you can leave a note next to the computer in the office. Please note that you have until 11am on the Friday to get your items included in that week's news sheet.